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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF HAWAII

In re:

TIMOTHY RANDOLPH WAUGH and
RONNETTE MEI LIN LAN WAUGH,

Debtors.

Case No. 97-01765
(Chapter 7)

MOTION TO DIVIDE DEBTORS' CASES
AND TO ASSIGN NEW CASE NUMBER
TO DEBTOR'S CASE; EXHIBIT A.

MOTION TO DIVIDE DEBTORS' CASES AND
TO ASSIGN NEW CASE NUMBER TO DEBTOR'S CASE.

Debtor TIMOTHY RANDOLPH WAUGH, through counsel, respectfully moves this Court for an Order: 1) dividing this case into two cases; and 2) assigning a new case number to Debtor's case.

In support of these motions, the Debtors states as follows:

1. Debtors filed a joint petition under Chapter 7 in the within matter on June 3, 1997. Dkt#1.

2. Debtors received a discharge and the case was closed on September 30, 1997. Dkt#8.

3. Debtor TIMOTHY WAUGH retained Abelman Peterson Rollins LLC as counsel to represent him concerning the administrative reopening of this case for the purpose of disclosing a previously unknown asset. The claim relates back to the time when Debtor was a minor and only recently became possible, when the Hawaii Legislature extended the statute of limitations for actions such as this one (“Personal Injury Claim” or “PI Claim”). Debtor retained counsel for the PI Claim and said counsel referred Debtor to this law firm.

4. The PI Claim is solely in Debtor’s name and not in Joint Debtor Ronnette Chu, fka Ronnette Waugh’s name.

5. On February 25, 2013, Debtor and Joint Debtor’s divorce became final.

6. On March 15, 2017, Debtor’s counsel filed a motion to reopen this case on behalf of the Debtor and indicating representation of Debtor only. Dkt#10.

7. On April 25, 2017, Barbara L. Franklin, Esq., filed a Notice of Appearance as Joint Debtor’s counsel. Dkt#25.

8. When filing their petition in 1997, Debtor and Joint Debtor filed a *pro*

se chapter 7 petition. Dkt#1, p.1. The petition was filed under “Timothy Randolph Waugh, Debtor” and “Ronnette Mei Lin Lan Waugh, dba A Sole Proprietorshi [sic] Fantastic Sam’S [sic], Joint Debtor.” *Id.*

9. Debtor and Joint Debtor used the assistance of former bankruptcy attorney Dawn Smith, who acted as a “bankruptcy petition preparer.” Dkt#1, p. 22 of 29 (SOFA #9).

10. In Schedules E and F, Ms. Smith listed all creditors as joint creditors of the debtors, which was incorrect. Only 2 of the creditors (Nos. 19 – Merchants Association of Florida & 23 – St Joseph Elementary), were true joint creditors. Debtor Tim Waugh will list those in his Amended Schedules so their claims can be properly administered. All other creditors were creditors for which the Joint Debtor was solely responsible as they relate to Joint Debtor’s 2 failed Fantastic Sam’s franchises. See Dkt#1, pp. 10-14 and attached Exhibit A, Professional and Vocational Licensing, DCCA search results confirming that Joint Debtor Ronnette Chu was the sole owner of both the Fantastic Sam’s franchises in Hilo and in Kailua-Kona.

11. Given that Debtor and Joint Debtor are divorced, only Debtor is entitled to any awards stemming from the PI Claim, only creditors to which Debtor was obligated at the time of filing are entitled to partake in a possible distribution

of funds, and the fact that with the exception of 2 creditors, all other creditors were creditors of the Joint Debtor and her 2 failed Fantastic Sam's franchises, dividing the cases is proper and permits much simpler administration of Debtor's case. In addition, Joint Debtor has no basis to reopen her case, it remains closed, and her debts remain discharged.

WHEREFORE, the Debtor respectfully requests that this Honorable Court:

- A. Divide this case into two separate cases;
- B. Open a separate case for Debtor TIMOTHY RANDOLPH WAUGH and assign a new case number; and
- C. Grant such other relief as it deems proper.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, April 27, 2017.

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/s/Lars Peterson

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Attorneys for Debtor TIMOTHY RANDOLPH
WAUGH

EXHIBIT “A”

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BSH-2854	ACTIVE	TERMINATED; NEEDS TO REAPPLY	12/31/1995
Legal License Name:	Trade/Professional Name:	Entity:	Original License Date:
RONNETTE M CHU	--	INDIVIDUAL	12/19/1994
Class Prefix:	Special Privilege:	Restriction:	Education Code:
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Business Code	Conditions & Limitations:	Business Address:	
SOLE OWNER	--	200 KANOELEHUA AVE #103 HILO HI 96720	

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Other Business/Person Names

Name ↕	Effective Date ↕	Termination Date ↕
RONNETTE M L L C WAUGH	4/15/1992	4/24/2013
RONNETTE M L L CHU	9/24/1990	4/15/1992

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Other Trade Names and DBA's

Name ↕	Effective Date ↕	Termination Date ↕
FANTASTIC SAM'S - HILO	12/19/1994	1/1/1996

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Class Prefix:	Special Privilege:	Restriction:	Education Code:
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Business Code	Conditions & Limitations:	Business Address:	
SOLE OWNER	--	KONA COAST SHOPPING CENTER 74-5588 PALANI RD KAILUA-KONA HI 96740	

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